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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Kudo, et al.

Serial No.: 09/872,007

Group Art Unit: 2822

Filed: June 4, 2001

Examiner: Soward, Ida M.

For: FABRICATION OF LOW POWER CMOS DEVICE WITH HIGH RELIABILITY

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313 - 1450

APPLICANTS' INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Applicants appreciate the courtesies extended to Applicants' representative during a personal interview on August 5, 2004.

During the personal interview:

1. No exhibit was shown and no demonstration was conducted.
2. Independent claims 1, 3, and 20 were discussed.
3. The Houlihan et al. reference and the Baumann reference were discussed.
4. The clarifying amendments made to claims 1, 3, and 20 were discussed.
5. During the personal interview, Examiner Soward agreed that the amendments to claims 1, 3, and 20 overcome the applied references (see Enclosed Examiner's Interview Summary Record).
6. Further, Examiner Soward agreed to rejoin claims 3-19, should the Examiner allow claims 1 and 20, pursuant to M.P.E.P. § 821.04 since the process claims include all of the limitations of the allowable product claims.

7. Results of the Interview:

As explained above, Examiner Soward agreed that the amendments to claims 1, 3, and 20 overcome the applied references. Therefore, the Examiner agreed to conduct a further

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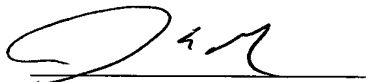
search and to allow claims 1-20 should the Examiner not find more relevant prior art.

Should the Examiner find the Application to be other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below to discuss any other changes deemed necessary in a telephonic or personal interview.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees or to credit any overpayment in fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

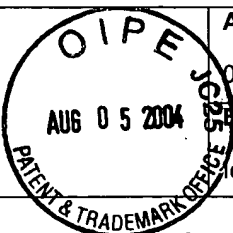
Respectfully Submitted,

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Interview Summary



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Examiner

Ida M Soward

Applicant(s)

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Ida M Soward.

(3) _____.

(2) Jim Howard.

(4) _____.

Date of Interview: 05 August 2004.

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference

c) ☒ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: All.

Identification of prior art discussed: Houlihan et al. (US 6,258,673 B1) and Baumann (5,866,445).

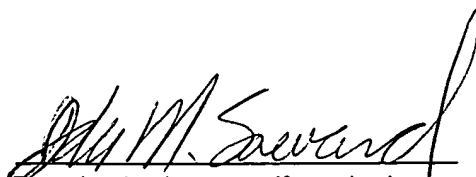
Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The proposed amendment to the claims overcome the above mentioned prior art applied.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.


Examiner's signature, if required